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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT AHIDJO VISITS ALGERIA

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- 1. ALGERIANS ROLLED OUT RI CARPET FOR CAMEROUN PRESIDENT AHIDJO'S "VIST OF FRIENDSHIP AND WORK" TO ALGERIA AUGUST 27-30. PRESIDENT BOUMEDIENE MET TWICE WITH CAMEROUNIAN LEADER AND GAVE DINNER IN HIS HONOR, AND AHIDJO ALSO UNDERTOOK PROGRAM OF VISITS TO ALGERIAN DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES. PRESS GAVE FULL, IF NON-SUB-STANTIVE COVERAGE TO VISIT, AND CARRIED LONG ARTICLES ON CAMEROUN AND STATE OF ALGERIAN-CAMEROUNIAN COOPERATION.
- 2. NEITHER AHIDJO NOR ALGERIANS GAVE MUCH
 AWAY IN PUBLIC ABOUT SUBSTANCE OF VISIT. PRESS INDICATED
 THAT TWO LEADERS DISCUSSED AFRICAN QUESTIONS AS WELL
 AS MEANS OF DEVELOPING CONCORD BETWEEN BROTHER AFRICAN
 STATES AND SETTLEMENT OF PROBLEMS THROUGH DIALOGUE.
 AHIDJO SAID IN AIRPORT DEPARTURE STATEMENT THAT AFRICAN COUNTRIES NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN PARTICUALR PROBLIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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LEMS ON CONTINENT SHOULD NONETHELESS WORK FOR IMPROVEMENTS AND PEACEFUL SETTELMENTS.

3. OUR DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES BELIEVE VISIT TO BE ALGERIAN INITIATIVE AIMED AT GIVING AHIDJO A FURTHER DOSE OF GOA THINKING ON SAHARA QUESTION. STRICT AVOIDANCE OF MENTION OF SAHARA IN PRESS COMMENTARY SUGGESTS

THAT AHIDJO NOT BUYING ALGERIAN VIEWS.

4. RE PARA 2 REFTEL, UNION DER POPULATIONS DU CAMEROUN HAS NOT COME TO OUR ATTENTION HERE. WE WILL ATTEMPT TO INVESTIGATE.HAYNES

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